PASSAIC VALLEY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

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Dr. Bracken HealySuperintendent



Mr. Colin MonahanBusiness Administrator
Board Secretary

April 19, 2024

Dear Passaic Valley School Community,

I am writing this letter to provide you with additional information regarding the ongoing issue with the individual that assaulted two of our security officers on Monday, April 8, 2024.

Today, this person was seen on the sidewalks adjacent to the school. He walked up to a group of students by the Browertown Road exit and asked them about some of the teachers they have. The students responded extremely well by minimizing the conversation and quickly reported their interaction to a staff member. A shelter-in-place was called and the Little Falls Police Department arrived on scene shortly after and met with this individual. He has since been transported to the hospital for an evaluation. They are seeking mental health intervention to help prevent further incidents like today. Our security protocols worked again today and I am grateful for the incredible response from our students and staff.

Several people have suggested that the school should seek a restraining order, however, this was tried and failed due to the school's relationship with this individual. New Jersey law stipulates for a restraining order to exist, one of the following relationships is required: 1) a spouse or former spouse, 2) present or past household member, 3) Someone with whom the victim has had a child or is expecting a child, 4) Someone whom the victim is dating or has dated. Therefore, the school does not qualify. He is trespassed from our property, which means he cannot step foot on the grass portion of our campus. We are working on a special injunction due to the fact that we are a school district and are obligated to protect our students and staff.

We are exhausting every possible legal step to keep this individual as far away from the school as possible. In the meantime, we continue to employ a team of armed security officers and the Little Falls Police Department will increase their presence on school grounds. If you have additional questions, please do not he sitate to contact me.

Educationally yours,

Bracken Healy, Ed.D. Superintendent

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A picture of the individual is below.

Students, parents and community members should report this individual to a staff member if he is seen near or on PVHS campus.

